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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the following documents for the above-identified application. A copy of the document set forth below and listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, a copy of the Turkish Examination Report, which was issued July 13, 2004, and the document cited therein are provided herewith.

1. JP 51 034841 B

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Document 1

Document 1 was cited in the parallel Turkish Examination Report, which contains a statement of its relevance (see part II). No English-language equivalent or abstract could be found.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after three months from the application's filing date but before three months from the date of the Turkish Examination Report, therefore it is believe no Certification Under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is required.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT Form PTO-1449, including one (1) documents, for U.S. Application No. 09/762,847 filed March 12, 2001, were deposited in first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on August 10, 2004.

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